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Updated with Video

Suspect Sought in a Homicide: 1300 Block of Half Street, Southwest

(Washington, DC) – Detectives from the Metropolitan Police Department’s Homicide Branch are investigating a fatal shooting that occurred on Wednesday, October 9, 2019, in the 1300 block of Half Street, Southwest.

At approximately 1:15 pm, members of the First District responded to the listed location for the sounds of gunshots. Upon arrival, officers located a juvenile male suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services arrived on the scene and determined the victim displayed no signs consistent with life. The decedent remained on the scene until transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

The decedent has been identified as **15 year-old Thomas Johnson**, of Southeast, DC.

The suspect was captured by a nearby surveillance camera and can be seen in the photo below and in this video link: <https://youtu.be/LhXlkhOAAbg>

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In partnership with MPD, the FBI Washington Field Office has offered an additional **\$25,000** bringing the total reward amount to **\$50,000** for information which leads to an arrest and conviction of the suspect in this case. Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the police at **(202) 727-9099**. Additionally, anonymous information may be submitted to the department's **TEXT TIP LINE** by sending a text message to **50411**.

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